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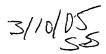
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	A. REGISTRANT IDENTI	FICATION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, LLC OFFICI			OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE	OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O	. Box No.)	FIRM I.D. NO.
525 Washington Blvd	d., 14th Floor		
	(No. and Street)		
Jersey City	New Jersey		07310
(City)	(State)		(Zip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBI Edward Samson	ER OF PERSON TO CONTACT I	N REGARD TO THIS RE 201–	PORT 499-8700
			(Area Code - Telephone Numbe
	B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTI	FICATION	
Morey, John P.	(Name - if individual, state la		
528 N. New Street	Bethlehem	Pennsylvan	ia 18018
(Address)	(City)	(State)	APARPA (Zip Code)
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# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Edward Samson	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statemen Hold Brothers On-Line Investment	
of December 31 .20 0	,
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal offi	
classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	
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NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AND	- Edward Samson
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUG. 7, 2008	Signature /
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$H(a)$ , $A \cap A$	Title
NAME OF THE PARTY	
Notary Public	
This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):	
(a) Facing Page.	
<ul><li>☑ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.</li><li>☐ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).</li></ul>	
☐ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.	
(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partin	ners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
(f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Cl	aims of Creditors.
(g) Computation of Net Capital.	
<ul> <li>□ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requireme</li> <li>□ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Req</li> </ul>	
(i) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of	
Computation for Determination of the Reserve Require	ements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited S	tatements of Financial Condition with respect to methods
consolidation.	
(I) An Oath or Affirmation.	
<ul> <li>(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.</li> <li>(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to e</li> </ul>	exist or found to have existed since the data of the
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\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

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To the Members
Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, LLC:

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of income, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, LLC at December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

John P. Morey, CPA Bethlehem, PA 18018

February 17, 2005

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# Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2004

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Receivable from broker-dealers and clearing organizations Deposits with clearing organizations and others(cash of \$804,024 and securities with a market value of \$2,115,097) Securities owned:  Marketable securities, at market value Not readily marketable, at estimated fair value Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$267,105 Receivable from affiliates Other assets	\$ 5,327,261 1,292,037 2,919,121 17,508,150 620,920 113,206 388,840 225,806	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 28,395,341
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
Payable to broker-dealers and clearing organizations	\$ 12,352,883	
Securities sold, not yet purchased, at market value	840,995 953,331	
Accounts payable Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,214,159	
Payable to affiliate	125,191	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES		15,486,559
MEMBERS' EQUITY		
Class A voting, members units	2,765,665	
Class B nonvoting, members units	10,143,117	
		12,908,782
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY		\$ 28,395,341

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

#### **NOTE A - ORGANIZATION**

#### Nature of business

Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, Inc. was organized in 1994 in the State of Delaware and during 2002, was reorganized as a limited liability company, and became Hold Brothers On-Line Investment Services, LLC (the "Company"). The Company is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the "NASD"). The Company is a majority owned subsidiary of Hold Brothers, Inc. (the "Parent").

The Company engages in the trading of equity securities and options and provides brokerage services to individuals. The Company provides these services through its home office in Jersey City, New Jersey and its branch network. The Company introduces all of its customer securities transactions to another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis. All related clearing and depository operations for these transactions are performed by the clearing broker.

The Company is self clearing for its proprietary transactions and has a direct clearing relationship with National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC).

## NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and money market accounts.

## Securities transactions:

Securities transactions and the related revenues and expenses are recorded in the financial statements on a trade date basis.

Marketable securities, including derivative contracts, are carried at fair value, with changes in value included in the statement of income in the period of change. Fair value is generally determined by quoted market prices. The fair value of exchange traded derivatives, primarily option contracts, is determined by quoted market prices while the fair value of derivatives negotiated in over-the-counter markets are valued based upon dealer price quotations or pricing models which consider time value and the volatility of the underlying instruments. Non-marketable securities are valued at fair value as determined by management.

## Property and equipment:

Furniture, equipment and vehicles are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the related asset.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

# NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Income taxes:

A limited liability company is treated as a partnership for income tax purposes and is not subject to income taxes. The taxable income or loss of the Company is includible in the income tax returns of its members. Therefore, no provision for income tax has been provided.

#### Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTE C - SECURITIES OWNED AND SOLD, NOT YET PURCHASED

Marketable securities owned and sold, not yet purchased, consist of trading and investment securities at market values, as follows:

	Owned	Sold, not yet purchased \$ -	
Corporate stocks	\$17,241,845		
Options	266,305	840,995	
Totals	\$17,508,150	\$840,995	

Securities not readily marketable include investment securities that cannot be offered or sold because of other arrangements, restrictions, or conditions applicable to the securities or to the Company.

# NOTE D - RECEIVABLE FROM AND PAYABLE TO BROKER-DEALERS AND CLEARING ORGANIZATIONS

Amounts receivable from and payable to broker-dealers and clearing organizations at December 31, 2004, consist of the following:

	Receivable	Payable	
Deposits for securities borrowed/loaned	\$ 475,400	\$ -	
Securities failed to deliver/receive	-	120,949	
Payable to clearing broker	-	12,231,934	
Receivable from clearing organizations	806,086	-	
Fees and commissions receivable	10,551		
Totals	\$1,292,037	\$12,352,883	

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

## NOTE E - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment as of December 31, 2004 consists of:

Furniture and equipment	\$	262,345
Vehicles		117,966
		380,311
Less accumulated depreciation		267,105
	<u>\$</u>	113,206

## NOTE F - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Leases:

The Company leases office space under a long-term lease. Future obligations relating to the primary terms of the Company's long-term office space lease are:

Year Ending December 31:	
2005	\$ 585,895
2006	421,844
2007	451,580
2008	414,847
2009	 363,440
	\$ 2,237,606

Rent expense under operating leases was \$539,765 for the year ended December 31, 2004.

#### Letters of credit:

The Company has secured letters of credit ("LOC") issued in favor of the Company's landlords, which were issued by a diversified U.S. financial institution in the aggregate amount of \$486,087. These LOC mature from October 2005 through November 2005. At December 31, 2004, there were no outstanding borrowings under these LOC. As of December 31, 2004, mutual funds of \$570,920 were pledged and deposited to secure the LOC.

## Litigation:

The Company is a party or defendant in various pending civil actions and arbitrations. The Company has also been the subject of several regulatory inquiries during the past year in its ordinary course of business. While the outcome of such matters cannot be predicted with certainty, in the opinion of management of the Company, after consultation with various counsels handling such matters, these actions will be resolved with no material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements, taken as a whole.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

#### **NOTE G - MEMBERS' EQUITY**

The Class A member units are voting.

The Class B members' units are nonvoting. Each Class B member is allocated the net income or loss from certain trading activities.

#### NOTE H - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the SEC's Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital, as defined and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness, as defined, to net capital, shall not exceed 15 to 1.

At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$9,619,299, which was \$9,369,299 in excess of its required net capital of \$250,000. The Company ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was .24 to 1.

Capital withdrawals are subject to certain notification and other provisions of the net capital rules of the SEC.

#### NOTE I - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has a software license agreement with Holdsoftware.Com, Inc. an affiliated company. Included in software licensing expense is \$1,411,666 related to this agreement. Included in payable to affiliates is \$125,191 that represents accrued costs associated with this software license. This balance is settled on a monthly basis.

# NOTE J - CREDIT AND MARKET RISK

A clearing broker-dealer carries all of the customer accounts of the Company and is responsible for the execution, collection and payments of funds and, receipt and delivery of securities related to security transactions. Customer transactions are entered into on either a cash or margin basis. In a margin transaction, the Company, through its clearing broker-dealer, extends credit to a client for the purchase of securities using the securities purchased and/or other securities in the customer's account as collateral for loaned amounts. Market declines could reduce the value of any collateral below the principal amount loaned, plus accrued interest, before the collateral can be sold. Customers may be unable to fulfill their contractual commitments wherein the clearing broker-dealer may charge the losses it incurs to the Company. The Company seeks to minimize this risk through procedures designed to monitor the creditworthiness of its customers and ensure that customer transactions are executed properly by the clearing broker-dealer.

The Company enters into various transactions involving derivatives and other off-balance sheet financial instruments. Exchange-traded options are used to conduct trading activities, and manage market risks and are, therefore, subject to varying degrees of market and credit risk. Derivative transactions are entered into for trading purposes or to economically hedge other positions or transactions.

At December 31, 2004, cash and cash equivalents were held on deposit at diversified U.S. financial institutions. Included in cash is \$2,748 of cash segregated in a special reserve account for the benefit of customers under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.